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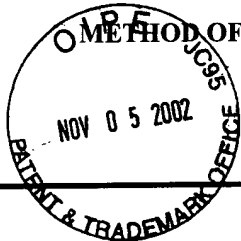
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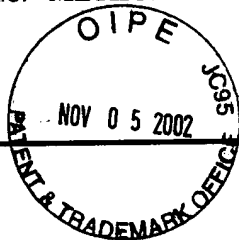
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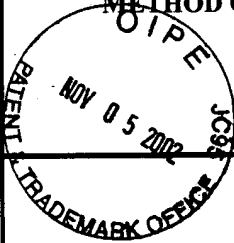
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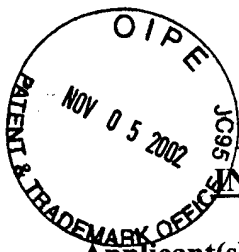
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,800,994, dated September 1, 1998, issued to Martinelli et al.;
2. T. C. H. Hsuih, et al., "Novel, Ligation-Dependent PCR Assay for Detection of Hepatitis C Virus in Serum", Journal of Clinical Microbiology, March 1996, pp. 501-507;
3. PCT International Publication No. WO 98/04746, dated February 5, 1998;
4. PCT International Publication No. WO 99/42614, dated August 20, 1999;
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5. PCT International Publication No. WO 99/35287, dated July 15, 1999.

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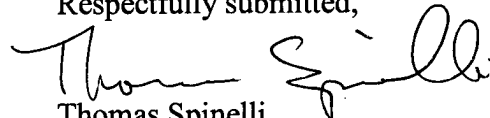
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The references were cited in a Search Report received from the European Patent Office, dated September 11, 2002. Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references, together with a copy of the Search Report. The relevance of the above-identified references has been described in the Search Report.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R§1.97(c)(1) and (e)(1), a statement is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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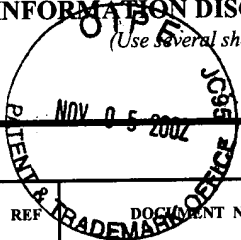
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	WO 98/04746	2/5/1998	PCT				
	WO 99/42614	8/20/1999	PCT				
	WO 99/35287	7/15/1999	PCT				

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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